



GLADSTONE CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City Hall Chambers – 1100 Delta Avenue

June 08, 2026

6:00 PM

MINUTES

Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela called the meeting to order; gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Kimberly Berry called the roll:

PRESENT

Commissioner Judy Akkala
Mayor Pro-Tem Brad Mantela
Commissioner Steve O'Driscoll
Commissioner Whitney Maloney

ABSENT-EXCUSED

Mayor Joe Thompson

The following individual(s) spoke under public comment:

Mr. Steve Harrington, resident of Minnesota Recreational Vehicle Camper at Gladstone Campground

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Commissioner Maloney to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner O'Driscoll, Seconded by Commissioner Maloney to adopt the Gladstone Bay Campground Policies and Procedures as presented with the removal of "for any reason" under Cancellation Policy, 4th bullet so it reads: If a guest decides to leave early for any reason during their camping stay or if Administration deems it necessary to terminate the camping stay, there is no refund.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner O'Driscoll, Seconded by Commissioner Maloney to approve the Rental of the Sail School Boathouse fees as follows:

1-Day Rental: \$150 (Residents); \$180 (Non-residents)

2-Day Rental \$260 (Residents); \$290 (Non-residents)

\$50 security deposit to be returned after successful inspection of the facility following the rental.

Reservations will begin Summer 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Commissioner O'Driscoll to approve The Dust Bunnies Band - Maddie Hubert to hold the special event "Skate Fever" at the Gladstone Sports Park on Saturday, July 11, 2026 from 3:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Commissioner O'Driscoll to authorize Mayor Joseph Thompson and City Clerk Kimberly Berry to sign the L-4029 Form for the City of Gladstone tax millage for 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner O'Driscoll, Seconded by Commissioner Maloney to approve the utility rates and fee schedule as presented along with the DDA and Community Development fees distributed at the meeting with an effective date of August 1, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela to authorize City Clerk, Kimberly Berry to appoint the necessary election inspectors as needed for the August 4, 2026 State Primary Election for Early Voting Precinct (located at Wells Township Hall), Gladstone Precinct 1 (City Hall), Gladstone Precinct 2 (Sports Park), Absent Voter Counting Board for Precinct 1 & 2 (City Hall), Receiving Board (City Hall) and Public Accuracy Testing (City Hall).

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Maloney, Seconded by Commissioner O'Driscoll to receive the Appeal of Excessive FOIA Fees by Michael O'Connor in reference to his FOIA Request No. 2026-06 and add to the City Commission regular meeting agenda on Monday, June 22, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Maloney, Seconded by Commissioner O'Driscoll to receive the appeal of a Denial of A Public Record by Michael O'Connor in reference to his FOIA Request No. 2026-06 and add to the City Commission regular meeting agenda on Monday, June 22, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

City Manager Robert Spreitzer reported on the following:

I visited Fernwood Cemetery the Friday before Memorial Day and wanted to thank Ricky Erickson and his crew for doing a great job of having the cemetery prepared for the holiday weekend. Also, we are two weeks into the Farmers Market, and I would like to thank Samantha Gaudino for all the work that she has put into the market. The market has been busy with both patrons and vendors and I have been hearing only good things about the market.

City Hall went to summer hours last week 7:30 am to 5:00 pm. A reminder that the Cabela's Walleye Tournament will be returning June 18 and 19. The summer concerts in the park start this Thursday, June 11, with Paul Perry classic country and 70's rock.

City of Gladstone Clean Up Vouchers are still available at City Hall until June 30th.

The City of Gladstone invites residents to safely recycle unwanted electronics for \$5.00 per car at our upcoming e-waste collection event on Friday, June 26 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at the Gladstone Bus Garage (103 N. 12th Street)

Accepted Items:

DVD & VCR players

Computer, phones and tablets

Desktop fax machines

TVs & Monitors

Gaming Consoles

Keyboards, cords & routers

Desktop printers & scanners

Kitchen appliances will NOT be accepted

Motion made by Commissioner Maloney, Seconded by Commissioner O'Driscoll to enter closed session at 6:33 pm to consider personnel evaluation as allowable under the Open Meetings Act 267 of 1976 (15.268) Section 8a as requested by City Manager Robert Spreitzer.

Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela Yes

Commissioner O'Driscoll Yes

Commissioner Akkala Yes

Commissioner Maloney Yes

Mayor Thompson Absent - Excused

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela called the meeting back into open session at 7:34 pm where he reported no actions were taken in closed session. Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela reported that City Manager Robert Spreitzer received a glowing six-month review.

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Commissioner Akkala recommended Robert Spreitzer effective July 1, 2026 move from Interim City Manager to City Manager, salary of \$102,000; MERS Defined Contribution retirement of Employer contribution of 12% and Employee contribution of 4% in a one-year contract to be presented at the July 13, 2026 regular commission meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela Yes

Commissioner O'Driscoll Yes

Commissioner Akkala Yes

Commissioner Maloney Yes

Mayor Thompson Absent-Excused

MOTION CARRIED

There being no further business before the City Commission Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Mayor Pro-Tem Brad Mantela

City Clerk Kimberly Berry